Development plan of the Deptt. of space upto the year 2001

3124. SHRI VISHWA BANDU GUPTA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Department of Space has prepared a blue-print of projected development plan up to the year 2001;

(b) if so, what are the salient features thereof; whether this includes launching of Indian astronauts/cosmonauts into space from Indian soil;

(c) whether any plans for establishment of space station are included in the blue-print; and

(d) what is the estimated cost on the said plan?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE PRODUCTION AND SUPPLIES IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE, (SHRI SHIVRAJ PATIL): (a) to (c) The Department of Space is currently implementing the Decade Profile 1980-90, copies of which are available in the Parliament Library. The programmes for the Space Profile for the next decade 1990-2000 are in the process of finalisation. These programmes strongly focus on the operationalisation of the space services on a continuing basis to enable the country to derive full benefits of space technology in the areas of communication, resources survey, meteorology and introduction of specialised services such as search and rescue operations, mobile communication, drought monitoring etc. The progress envisaged include development of both rocket and satellite technology and building up of industrial interfaces. A few advanced R & D elements are also envisaged keeping in view the world scenario as well as the requirements of the country beyond 2000 AD.

The over-all thrust will, thus, be to meet the country's essential requirement for space services. These are under various stages of study and assessment.

(d) It is too early to arrive at an estimate for the Space Profile for the Decade 1990-2000.

Transfer of NCC Civilian Employees of U.P. from Lucknow

3125. SHRI F. M. KHAN: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of civilian employees of Uttar Pradesh Government who have stayed in the NCC Offices at Lucknow for along time;

(b) what is the number of such State Government employees posted to NCC in Uttar Pradesh who were registered as willing to be posted at Lucknow till February, 1986;

(c) whether it is a fact that the Director NCC, Uttar Pradesh was instructed to post out of Lucknow the State Government employees with long period of stay;

(d) whether it is also a fact that the Director, NCC Uttar Pradesh, now Deputy Director General NCC, Uttar Pradesh, failed to post out of Lucknow those employees, as instructed; and

(e) what are the reasons for not implementing the instructions in this regard by the Deputy Director General, NCC, Uttar Pradesh?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE PRODUCTION AND SUPPLIES IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE, (SHRI SHIVRAJ PATIL): (a) Presently there are 100 Group 'C' civilian employees of UP Government who have been at Lucknow for over 3 years.

(b) The requisite information till February 1986 is not readily available. However, as on 30-6-87, there were 4 employees from out stations registered with the Dy. DG NCC, UP, for posting to Lucknow, on compassionate grounds.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) and (e) The Dy. DG NCC, UP, has been delegated powers by the State Government for transfer of civilian employees of the State Government posted in the NCC in that State. He has followed the guidelines prescribed by the State Government in matters of transfer of these employees.

Loans for Self-Employment

3126. SHRI RAMSINGHBHAI PATALIYABHAI RATHVAKOLI: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is fact that "Loans for self-employment to Educated Unemployed" have been liberalised;

(b) if so, what are the Rules, Regulations, Guidelines and criteria for old schemes and of Now Liberalised one;

(c) how many persons have been sanctioned and disbursed such loans by various banks in Vadodara, Surat, Valsad, Broach, Bhavnagar, Rajkot and Amreli districts of Gujarat during 1st January, 1982 to 31st July, 1987;

(d) the names of the banks who are empowered and authorised in Gujarat and all over India for such loans;

(e) how many applications have been received during the above period by each banks in the above districts;

(f) out of the above how many aplications sanctioned, rejected and are under consideration and the reasons thereof; and

(g) whether complaints have been received by Government and local authorities that Bank Manager act arbitrarily in granting loans under this scheme and bribery corruption is rampant in sanctioning these loans?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARI): (a) and (b) The important modifications made in the Scheme for providing Self-Employment to Educated Unemployed Yoth (SEEUY) are as under:

(i) Ceiling on loan for indussrial ventures has been raised from Rs. 25,000/- to Rs. 35,000/- and reduced to Rs. 15,000/- for business ventures. It has been kept unchanged at Rs. 25,000/- for service ventures.

(ii) 30 percent of the sanctions are reserved for Scheduled Castes & Scheduled Tribes beneficiaries.

(iii) The family income of Rs. 10,000/- per annum has been fixed as eligibility criteria under the Scheme.

(iv) ITI passed beneficiaries are allowed to set up industrial and service ventures under the scheme.

(v) The rate of interest on loans between Rs. 25,000/- and Rs. 35,000/- has been brought down to 10 percent in backward areas and 12 per cent in other areas for cases under the Scheme.

(c) to (f) The available information in respect of 7 districts in